The Power Of Forgiveness Sun Am 6/23/24

Mark 11:22-26 NKJV

22So Jesus answered and said to them, “Have faith in God.

23For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be removed and be cast into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says.

24Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive *them,* and you will have *them.*

25“And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses.

26But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses.”

 *Faith will not work in an unforgiving heart-in the midst of disharmony. Believers must be in harmony.*

# Ephesians 5:17-33 NKJV

# 17Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord *is.*

# 18And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit,

# 19speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord,

# 20giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

# 21submitting to one another in the fear of God.

# 22Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord.

# 23For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body.

# 24Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands in everything.

# 25Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her,

# 26that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word,

# 27that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.

# 28So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself.

# 29For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord *does* the church.

# 30For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones.

# 31“For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.”

# 32This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

# 33Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife *see* that she respects *her* husband.

# 1 Corinthians 1:10 NKJV

# 10Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and *that* there be no divisions among you, but *that* you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

# 1 Corinthians 3:2-3 NKJV

# 2I fed you with milk and not with solid food; for until now you were not able *to receive it,* and even now you are still not able;

# 3for you are still carnal. For where *there are* envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like *mere* men?

#  *There must be a cleansing of ourselves.*

# 2 Corinthians 7:1 NKJV

# 7 Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

# 1 John 1:9 NKJV

# 9If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

#   *The power of harmony or agreement.*

# Matthew 18:15-35 NKJV

# 15“Moreover if your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he hears you, you have gained your brother.

# 16But if he will not hear, take with you one or two more, that ‘by the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.’

# 17And if he refuses to hear them, tell *it* to the church. But if he refuses even to hear the church, let him be to you like a heathen and a tax collector.

# 18“Assuredly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.

# 19“Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven.

# 20For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.”

# 21Then Peter came to Him and said, “Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?”

# 22Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven.

# 23Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants.

# 24And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents.

# 25But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made.

# 26The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, ‘Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.’

# 27Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt.

# 28“But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took *him* by the throat, saying, ‘Pay me what you owe!’

# 29So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.’

# 30And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt.

# 31So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done.

# 32Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me.

# 33Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?’

# 34And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him.

# 35“So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses.”

#  *When you agree Jesus is in your midst, the shield of faith will work, prayer will work.*

# 1 John 3:22-23 NKJV

# 22And whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight.

# 23And this is His commandment: that we should believe on the name of His Son Jesus Christ and love one another, as He gave us commandment.

# 1 John 5:18 NKJV

# 18We know that whoever is born of God does not sin; but he who has been born of God keepshimself, and the wicked one does not touch him.

# 1 Peter 3:7 NKJV

# 7Husbands, likewise, dwell with *them* with understanding, giving honor to the wife, as to the weaker vessel, and as *being* heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers may not be hindered.

#  *The power of discord or unforgiveness.*

# James 3:14-18 NKJV

# 14But if you have bitter envy and self-seeking in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth.

# 15This wisdom does not descend from above, but *is* earthly, sensual, demonic.

# 16For where envy and self-seeking *exist,* confusion and every evil thing *are* there.

# 17But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy.

# 18Now the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

# 2 Timothy 2:23-26 NKJV

# 23But avoid foolish and ignorant disputes, knowing that they generate strife.

# 24And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient,

# 25in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth,

# 26and *that* they may come to their senses *and* *escape* the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to *do* his will.

#  *The shield of faith is down. Let us cleanse and purge ourselves.*

# 2 Timothy 2:21 NKJV

# 21Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work.

#  *Walk in love.*

# Ephesians 4:29-32 NKJV

# 29Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers.

# 30And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

# 31Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice.

# 32And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

# Ephesians 5:1-4 NKJV

# 5 Therefore be imitators of God as dear children.

# 2And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma.

# 3But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints;

# 4neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks.

#  *Stop corrupt communication, forgive even as…., confess the sin of unforgiveness, forgive as an act of your will not according to the way you feel, praise and give God thanks and this will change the way you feel.*